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PRODUCTION

Month	Iron	Lead (b)	Electricity	Gas (c)	Raw steel	Cement	Motor vehicles (d)	Electric motors under 720W	Four weeks ended (f)	Coal (e)
	ore (a) '000 tonnes	'000 tonnes	mil. kWh	mil. megajoules	'000 tonnes	'000 tonnes	'000	'000	ended (f)	'000 tonnes
<i>1985-86—</i>										
September	28,609	43.2	10,201	10,225	44,821	41,899	582	591	523	512
October	42.6	10,210	10,272	43,559	43,074	589	590	570	531	42.1
November	38.0	9,725	10,287	38,917	41,232	578	606	517	483	34.5
December	22,554	38.1	9,698	10,432	33,677	41,714	561	561	457	473
January	34.4	9,846	10,516	37,458	42,435	592	589	336	500	12.9
February	38.8	9,407	10,538	36,321	42,435	504	565	501	518	30.0
March	23,781	40.6	10,265	10,639	40,007	42,332	545	536	508	508
April	39.0	9,970	10,516	43,516	47,467	547	581	516	527	25.2
May	40.7	10,801	10,414	48,382	44,733	585	556	513	476	33.3
June	22,716	23.3	11,246	10,385	44,355	562	550	487	487	31.2
<i>1986-87—</i>										
July	31.2	12,167	10,416	54,154	43,292	520	480	537	509	34.5
August	39.0	11,578	10,618	50,122	44,413	581	563	488	451	29.6
September	22,949	39.7	10,645	10,638	45,705	42,525	590	584	511	494
October	38.3	10,613	10,605	45,784	45,328	563	561	534	495	29.9
November	n.y.a.	10,096	10,789	39,497	41,791	548	590	516	489	29.4
(a) Gross mine output. Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources, Geology and Geophysics (B.M.R.). (b) Metallic contents of mine products. Source: B.M.R. (c) Available for issue through mains; includes natural gas. (d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state. (e) Excludes lignite. (f) Tasmanian production period one week earlier.										

PRODUCTION—continued

Month	Cotton woven cloth (incl. towelling) '000 sq m		Woollen and worsted woven cloth (incl. blankets) '000 sq m		Man-made fibre-cloth '000 sq m		Meat '000 tonnes		Price index manufacturing divisiton(s) (Base year 1968-69 = 100.0)		Whole milk intake by factories(b) mil. litres		Brokers and dealers receipts of taxable wool		Book value at end of quarter \$m		
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	
<i>1985-86—</i>																	
September	3,491	3,180	793	841	13,495	12,700	166	162	425.5	452	652	492	107,228	81.2	40,577	40,355	
October	3,338	3,245	908	749	16,157	13,977	195	168	426.7	487	787	498	117,674	77.7			
November	3,638	3,322	r1,066	r857	15,296	13,941	187	189	428.4	742	495	93,295		75.8			
December	2,248	2,974	r682	r855	r10,879	r13,758	168	190	431.1	678	499	59,584		75.5	41,384	41,469	
January	1,291	4,235	r395	r894	r4,510	r11,537	180	196	434.4	604	519	46,464		80.1			
February	3,404	3,764	1,075	950	13,580	13,981	187	197	437.1	462	526	47,661		75.9			
March	3,286	3,116	1,008	1,043	14,227	14,212	189	203	434.4	411	539	46,486		75.6	42,683	42,708	
April	3,192	3,288	1,016	940	13,449	13,632	211	202	431.8	312	504	46,365		76.6			
May	4,299	3,332	1,123	1,155	13,935	13,017	191	185	432.3	283	495	37,420		77.9			
June	3,334	3,023	953	1,096	15,044	13,090	180	195	435.0	281	505	32,915		76.9	p42,357	p42,487	
<i>1986-87—</i>																	
July	3,665	3,194	r1,133	r1,060	14,319	12,409	201	185	439.5	335	486	r51,900		79.5			
August	3,884	3,263	1,007	1,042	15,175	13,992	186	196	443.8	481	480	191,603		82.2			
September	3,137	2,807	974	967	15,195	14,062	199	191	p448.9	642	485	r116,870		r79.3	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	
October	r3,884	r3,575	r1,205	r1,024	r16,445	r13,915	217	195	p453.3	765	485	122,735		77.2			
November	3,091	3,034	922	767	16,323	15,466	195	202	740	495	99,423		76.6				

(a) This index is on a 'net division' basis and relates in concept only to articles which are produced in the Manufacturing Division of ASIC (Division C) for sale or transfer outside the Division or for use as capital equipment. (b) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (c) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. (d) Owned by private enterprises in Australia. See publication 5629.0.

FOREIGN TRADE

Month	Value of total exports (a) £m				Value of total imports (a) £m				Value of 1979-80 prices £m		Balance of Payments— current transactions £m	
	Exports f.o.b. Seas. adj.		Imports f.o.b. Seas. adj.		Export price index All groups (1970-75 = 100)		Import price index All groups (1961-62 = 100.0)		Balance on goods and services		Balance on current account	
	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	Official reserve assets (b) £m
1983-84	2,903	3,133	3,267	3,244	3,277	5,825	5,835	215	146.6	-457	-1,461	12,775
January	2,667	2,675	2,665	2,644	2,623	5,825	5,835	218	146.6	-540	-1,014	12,716
February	2,665	2,675	2,665	2,644	2,623	5,825	5,835	220	146.6	-507	-1,141	12,716
March	2,618	2,625	2,604	2,604	2,604	5,825	5,835	222	146.6	-521	-1,036	12,735
April	2,617	2,625	2,604	2,604	2,604	5,825	5,835	224	146.6	-564	-1,295	12,725
May	2,604	2,604	2,604	2,604	2,604	5,825	5,835	226	146.6	-491	-1,009	12,735
June	2,618	2,625	2,604	2,604	2,604	5,825	5,835	228	146.6	-590	-1,345	12,735
July	2,672	2,672	2,672	2,736	5,671	5,324	5,244	140.8	140.8	-524	-1,046	12,724
August	2,683	2,736	5,671	5,324	5,244						-1,033	12,724
1984-85												
January	2,599	3,065	3,084	3,084	3,084	5,847	5,414	242	p158.8	-558	-1,541	13,439
February	2,693	3,084	3,084	3,084	3,084	5,847	5,414	248	p158.8	-706	-1,251	12,686
March	2,676	3,047	3,055	3,055	3,055	5,847	5,414	246	p158.8	-728	-1,359	12,615
April	2,951	3,055	3,055	3,055	3,055	5,847	5,414	245	p158.8	-976	-1,333	13,116
May	2,872	p2,569	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	-283	-694	15,146
June	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	-32	-446	15,361
1985-86												
July												
August												
September												
October												
November												
December												
1986-87												
January	4,276	4,459	4,403	4,403	4,403	9,659	8,533	1,545	1,370	915	40.5	10.0
February	4,276	4,383	4,418	4,418	4,418	9,659	8,397	1,308	1,400	361	31.5	9.8
March	4,163	4,416	4,439	7,811	7,811	8,397	8,397	1,409	1,417	416	34.3	9.8
April	4,285	4,624	4,470	4,470	4,470	8,397	8,397	1,380	1,433	450	40.4	10.6
May	4,707	4,536	r4,512	r4,512	r4,512	8,407	8,407	1,471	1,448	578	36.3	11.1
June	4,197	4,590	r4,559	8,190	8,190	8,407	8,407	1,380	1,460	423	34.5	10.3
1987-88												
July	4,477	4,589	4,604	4,604	4,604	8,428	8,428	1,456	1,469	503	511	11.8
August	4,439	4,653	4,639	4,639	4,639	8,428	8,428	1,448	1,475	441	518	10.7
September	4,484	4,663	4,664	8,145	8,145	8,428	8,428	1,431	1,479	506	522	9.5
October	4,775	4,708	4,684	4,684	4,684	8,428	8,428	1,527	1,482	512	525	8.1
November	4,738	4,666	4,694	4,694	4,694	8,428	8,428	1,485	1,482	537	524	p28.7
1988-89												
1989-90												
1990-91												
1991-92												
1992-93												
1993-94												

(a) Non-merchandise trade is excluded from export and import statistics.

(b) Gold is valued at the average London gold price for the month converted to £A at the market rate of exchange applying on the last day of the month.

INTERNAL TRADE

Month	Retail sales of goods (excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.) £m											
	Total						New motor cars and station wagons registered '000					
	Current prices		Smoothed seas. adj.		Average 1979-80 prices		Grocers, confectioners, tobacconists		Department stores		Other new motor vehicles registered (b) '000	
Month	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Smoothed seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1983-84												
September	3,909	4,283	4,283	8,115	8,443	1,271	1,337	429	491	42.6	44.8	11.9
October	4,385	4,333	4,327	8,115	8,443	1,387	1,347	487	496	45.2	43.8	12.4
November	4,573	4,353	4,362	8,115	8,443	1,389	1,358	536	500	46.5	47.7	12.2
December	5,875	4,399	r4,387	9,659	8,533	1,545	1,370	915	502	40.5	41.4	11.6
1984-85												
January	4,276	4,459	4,403	4,403	4,403	1,400	1,384	435	500	33.7	38.5	9.8
February	4,276	4,383	4,418	4,418	4,418	1,400	1,400	361	496	31.5	35.1	10.6
March	4,163	4,416	4,439	7,811	7,811	1,409	1,417	416	492	34.3	35.4	9.8
April	4,285	4,624	4,470	4,470	4,470	1,380	1,433	450	491	40.4	39.5	10.1
May	4,707	4,536	r4,512	r4,512	r4,512	8,397	8,397	1,471	1,448	578	494	33.8
June	4,197	4,590	r4,559	8,190	8,190	8,407	8,407	1,380	1,460	423	502	33.9
1985-86												
July												
August												
September												
October												
November												
1986-87												
January	4,477	4,589	4,604	4,604	4,604	8,428	8,428	1,456	1,469	503	511	11.8
February	4,439	4,653	4,639	4,639	4,639	8,428	8,428	1,448	1,475	441	518	10.7
March	4,484	4,663	4,664	8,145	8,145	8,428	8,428	1,431	r1,479	506	522	9.0
April	4,775	4,708	4,684	4,684	4,684	8,428	8,428	1,527	1,482	512	525	8.1
May	4,738	4,666	4,694	4,694	4,694	8,428	8,428	1,485	1,482	537	524	p28.7
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1993-94												

(a) Series based on 1979-80 Retail Census; excludes Northern Territory, but includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Comprises light commercial type vehicles, trucks, other truck type vehicles and buses.

WAGES, OVERTIME AND RETAIL PRICES

Month	Average weekly earnings of employees (\$)		Average weekly ordinary time earnings of full-time adult persons (\$)		Index of minimum award rates of pay: full-time adult persons 1976 = 100	Average weekly overtime hours per employee	Consumer price index, weighted average of eight capital cities (Base of each Index: Year 1980-81 = 100.0 unless otherwise stated)						
	All males	All females	All	full-time adult persons			All groups	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol
1985-86—													
October	413.90	268.40	396.90		206.4								
November					216.3								
December					216.3								
January					216.3								
February	422.70	276.40	404.20		216.3	1.25							
March					216.3								
April	425.50	278.20	409.20		216.3								
May					216.5								
June					216.5	1.23							
1986-87—													
July	437.20	282.90	418.90		221.5								
August					221.5								
September					221.5								
October					221.5								
November	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		221.5	1.29							
December					n.y.a.								

(a) Base of index series: March Quarter 1982 = 100.0.

BUILDING AND NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Month	Building approvals \$m		Government building approved \$m	Building commenced, total \$m		Dwellings commenced '000 units		Materials used in house building (Base year 1985-86 = 100.0)	Materials used in building other than house building (Base year 1979-80 = 100.0)	Price indexes(a)				Private new capital expenditure (\$m)(b)	
	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		
	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.				
1985-86—															
September	1,462.7	1,494.9	12.8	13.1	247.8	4,339.5	4,132.7	39.3	37.9	98.3	163.8	1,206	1,248	3,447	3,498
October	1,501.2	1,457.8	14.8	13.2	250.3					98.9	164.8				
November	1,521.1	1,470.7	12.7	12.4	252.5					99.4	166.3				
December	1,261.5	1,291.9	10.8	11.8	341.4	4,399.7	4,456.2	36.2	35.6	99.8	167.6				
January	1,204.7	1,307.1	10.0	12.4	289.5					100.3	168.6				
February	1,066.9	1,244.9	10.0	10.9	158.4					100.8	170.0				
March	1,057.8	1,195.2	9.5	10.2	184.9	3,843.3	4,113.9	30.5	33.2	101.2	171.0				
April	1,486.2	1,398.4	10.3	9.5	399.2					101.7	171.6				
May	1,365.2	1,243.2	10.5	9.7	324.6					101.9	172.5				
June	1,789.6	1,682.8	11.3	11.2	715.6	3,875.0	3,768.7	29.8	29.0	102.3	173.6	1,610	1,575	3,654	3,341
1986-87—															
July	1,320.7	1,237.1	11.8	11.1	258.9					102.6	175.4				
August	1,457.1	1,429.0	9.9	9.8	324.7					103.2	176.5				
September	1,288.1	1,262.7	10.4	10.0	181.5	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	104.1	177.9	p1,747	p1,810	p3,536	p3,585
October	1,421.9	1,343.4	10.8	10.0	210.8					104.1	178.8				
November	1,376.9	1,348.8	10.1	10.0	367.6					n.y.a.					

(a) Weighted average six State capital cities. (b) Excludes enterprises classified to agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, community services and construction.

FINANCE

Month	Housing finance for owner occupation secured commitments to individuals (c)												Taxation revenue Commonwealth and State consolidated revenue funds \$m
	Savings banks—depositors' balances (a) \$m		Major trading banks (b)				Permanent building societies lenders (d) \$m				Commonwealth bond yield short dated (e) per cent		
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Other				
<i>1985-86—</i>													
October	39,414	39,498	42,842	42,871	37,255	36,851	727	266	117	15.05	4,399		
November	39,279	39,497	43,239	43,327	37,960	37,906	620	260	119	15.55	5,655		
December	39,710	39,200	44,055	43,650	38,944	38,772	545	209	96	15.65	5,609		
January	39,104	38,805	43,660	43,582	38,469	38,857	545	150	100	14.65	5,738		
February	39,738	39,014	43,800	43,786	38,970	39,577	521	156	101	14.15	5,631		
March	39,316	39,175	44,549	44,459	39,823	40,007	481	151	99	13.30	5,007		
April	40,354	41,141	45,521	44,876	41,781	41,191	706	173	97	12.65	9,255		
May	40,624	41,068	44,748	44,905	41,038	40,742	734	141	100	12.70	7,276		
June	42,602	42,486	44,346	44,562	41,022	41,083	699	125	85	12.80	6,243		
<i>1986-87—</i>													
July	43,392	43,722	44,261	44,513	41,827	41,679	840	157	76	14.50	5,113		
August	43,924	44,005	43,567	44,083	41,904	42,053	692	166	68	15.10	6,326		
September	43,931	44,083	43,466	43,639	41,994	42,305	742	177	68	15.15	5,025		
October	44,122	44,204	44,293	44,327	43,256	42,786	914	193	72	14.30	n.y.a.		
November	44,395	44,575	43,682	43,801	42,818	42,761	816	164	64	14.25	n.y.a.		
December	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	44,533	43,822	43,558	43,364	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	14.05	n.y.a.		

(a) Excludes external territories. (b) Includes external territories. (c) Excludes loans for alterations and additions. (d) Includes terminating building societies, finance companies, credit unions, insurance companies and governmental instrumentalities. (e) This series is based on non-rebate bonds.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

(Bns)

Quarter	Final consumption expenditure												Gross fixed capital expenditure			
	Gross domestic product		Gross farm product		Gross non-farm product		Private		Government		Private		Public			
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
AT CURRENT PRICES																
1984-85— June	53,213	54,858	1,257	2,353	51,956	52,505	32,681	33,158	9,681	9,280	9,358	8,843	5,415	4,416		
1985-86— September	56,102	57,055	1,495	2,179	54,607	54,876	33,823	34,065	8,992	9,307	9,419	9,507	4,147	4,623		
December	62,572	57,284	4,535	2,160	58,037	55,124	36,978	34,935	10,156	9,614	9,810	9,275	4,849	4,807		
March	55,727	58,749	1,508	2,226	54,219	56,523	34,165	35,477	9,294	9,948	8,632	9,682	4,061	4,699		
June	57,576	59,293	1,094	2,101	56,482	57,192	35,862	36,389	11,038	10,580	9,534	9,004	5,723	4,685		
1986-87— September	60,459	61,176	1,715	2,338	58,744	58,838	37,304	37,528	10,001	10,357	9,377	9,494	4,731	5,294		
AT AVERAGE 1979-80 PRICES																
1984-85— June	33,638	35,003	1,422	2,245	32,216	32,758	20,704	20,984	6,064	5,808	5,958	5,614	3,247	2,648		
1985-86— September	34,994	35,550	1,555	2,053	33,439	33,497	20,947	21,128	5,472	5,659	5,781	5,834	2,404	2,680		
December	39,060	35,371	3,932	2,112	35,128	33,259	22,550	21,243	6,124	5,851	5,818	5,517	2,764	2,741		
March	32,266	35,304	1,547	2,183	31,719	33,121	20,185	21,022	5,444	5,773	5,007	5,613	2,247	2,602		
June	33,983	35,284	1,365	2,113	32,618	33,171	20,910	21,194	6,551	6,277	5,422	5,112	3,172	2,596		
1986-87— September	34,953	35,361	1,673	2,126	33,280	33,235	21,121	21,272	5,722	5,919	5,183	5,243	2,528	2,831		
AT CURRENT PRICES—continued																
Quarter	Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises												Other taxes, etc. (a)	Household disposable income		
	Imports of goods and services		Exports of goods and services		Companies		Other		Wages, salaries and supplements		Income of farm unincorporated enterprises					
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.				
1984-85— June	10,804	10,768	9,995	9,736	6,529	6,667	11,178	12,993	28,398	28,308	-10	19,572	7,443	35,474		
1985-86— September	11,886	11,230	9,756	9,727	7,718	7,640	13,186	13,432	28,225	28,705	136	18,233	7,239	39,041		
December	11,589	11,810	9,485	9,562	7,582	6,812	16,845	13,648	31,153	29,670	3,049	20,791	7,341	47,470		
March	10,974	11,502	9,728	9,992	6,247	6,957	12,904	14,162	29,293	30,649	19	18,868	7,547	39,198		
June	10,994	10,958	9,184	8,954	6,719	6,845	12,816	14,686	31,195	31,096	-390	22,122	7,322	38,897		
1986-87— September	12,398	11,699	9,818	9,758	7,275	7,194	14,978	15,110	31,385	31,753	214	20,992	7,248	43,729		

(a) Direct taxes deducted are those paid by persons to general government. These include income tax paid and estate and gift duties, all other direct taxes, fees for service of a regulatory character and fines and gifts paid. Also deducted here are consumer debt interest and transfers to overseas.

**SURVEY
OF JOB
VACANCIES
(b)**

**LABOUR FORCE SURVEY(a)
(PERSONS)**

Month	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Participation rate-per cent				Number of job vacancies ('000)	
	Full-time workers		Total		Looking for full-time work		Total		Unemployment rate-per cent		Original Seas. adj.			
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		
1985—														
September	5,547.7	5,515.4	6,817.8	6,770.6	479.5	491.5	583.0	586.3	7.9	8.0	61.7	61.3		
October	5,496.6	5,501.0	6,782.9	6,762.3	440.5	477.9	528.4	569.9	7.2	7.8	60.8	61.0		
November	5,562.4	5,564.5	6,890.5	6,848.5	439.5	475.8	537.0	582.9	7.2	7.8	61.7	61.7	51.8	
December	5,638.9	5,571.7	6,918.9	6,846.0	479.7	468.8	583.9	569.2	7.8	7.7	62.2	61.5		
1986—														
January	5,603.6	5,621.4	6,762.1	6,910.5	523.7	474.2	615.0	575.7	8.3	7.7	61.1	62.0		
February	5,638.8	5,634.0	6,870.1	6,899.9	544.5	487.8	658.5	596.1	8.7	8.0	62.2	61.9	59.0	
March	5,638.5	5,618.8	6,961.4	6,917.6	501.6	475.2	634.6	590.3	8.4	7.9	62.7	61.9		
April	5,620.1	5,645.4	6,962.1	6,978.3	485.1	485.3	606.9	600.8	8.0	7.9	62.3	62.4		
May	5,615.8	5,627.5	6,944.5	6,939.8	483.3	485.8	592.2	589.5	7.9	7.8	62.0	61.9	54.4	
June	5,634.9	5,656.9	6,972.7	6,978.8	457.0	469.6	561.9	575.9	7.5	7.6	61.9	62.0		
July	5,631.2	5,617.7	6,958.4	6,943.1	490.9	520.9	594.2	632.5	7.9	8.3	61.9	62.1		
August	5,582.4	5,539.8	6,885.7	6,934.1	490.7	506.8	595.6	626.9	8.0	8.3	61.2	61.8	48.6	
September	5,666.9	5,633.8	7,007.6	6,958.6	517.6	530.0	631.6	634.1	8.3	8.4	62.4	62.0		
October	5,661.9	5,666.3	7,000.3	6,979.5	485.9	527.2	590.1	636.7	7.8	8.4	61.8	62.0		
November	5,647.6	5,666.3	7,006.9	6,962.1	489.1	529.3	583.3	632.7	7.7	8.3	61.7	61.7	51.9	

(a) Estimates derived from the labour force survey part of monthly population survey, which is based on a sample of dwellings and covers about two-thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. For further information see *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). (b) Estimates derived from a survey of private sector employers and government agencies. For further information see *Job Vacancies, Australia* (6231.0).

**EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, STATES AND TERRITORIES(a)
PERSONS ('000)**

Month	Australia												Total	
	Government													
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Private	Common-wealth	State(b)	Local		
1985—														
July	1,853.0	1,479.0	786.1	466.6	477.8	141.7	53.8	111.7	3,651.2	429.8	1,134.0	154.8	1,718.6	5,369.7
August	1,854.7	1,485.6	790.9	467.3	481.2	141.9	54.1	111.6	3,671.5	429.7	1,130.4	155.8	1,716.0	5,387.5
September	1,850.1	1,489.5	794.2	465.9	482.7	142.8	54.9	111.5	3,678.0	429.9	1,127.7	155.9	1,713.4	5,391.5
October	1,897.4	1,503.1	800.3	466.2	493.7	145.1	56.3	112.9	3,757.2	431.1	1,131.0	155.7	1,717.8	5,475.1
November	1,915.2	1,516.4	805.4	468.4	495.6	146.7	56.4	113.8	3,796.5	432.3	1,133.3	155.9	1,721.5	5,517.9
December	1,913.7	1,518.4	798.9	466.3	498.3	146.7	54.3	114.2	3,803.9	432.9	1,119.1	154.9	1,706.9	5,510.8
1986—														
January	1,871.8	1,521.0	792.4	458.0	490.4	140.7	52.8	112.2	3,781.9	431.6	1,074.3	151.7	1,657.6	5,439.4
February	1,914.7	1,548.1	807.3	468.6	503.7	143.4	55.4	114.9	3,852.9	434.1	1,113.6	155.5	1,703.2	5,556.1
March	1,923.5	1,556.2	807.6	470.9	505.9	145.8	55.6	116.6	3,854.7	434.2	1,136.4	155.9	1,726.5	5,581.2
April	1,909.4	1,568.0	813.3	470.6	592.7	147.2	57.5	117.3	3,848.7	438.6	1,143.2	155.5	1,737.3	5,585.9
May	1,903.2	1,569.9	815.1	466.0	504.6	147.1	58.9	117.1	3,860.0	442.4	1,126.0	155.8	1,724.2	5,584.2
June	1,926.8	1,574.4	815.5	470.3	509.7	148.8	60.0	118.5	3,874.1	451.2	1,148.2	157.1	1,787.4	5,635.5
July	1,923.9	1,577.1	808.0	469.8	512.9	146.6	58.8	119.7	3,840.6	480.4	1,148.5	157.4	1,763.0	5,626.9
August	1,925.2	1,569.7	802.7	465.7	511.7	147.5	56.9	118.3	3,859.9	439.4	1,150.3	157.2	1,746.9	5,597.8
September	1,927.2	1,567.2	805.5	464.7	513.5	147.0	57.0	119.1	3,853.5	439.6	1,151.2	157.2	1,748.0	5,601.5

(a) Results of sample survey of approximately 20,000 private employers selected from the ABS register of businesses. Data from all Government Employers is collected. For further details see *Employed Wage and Salary Earners Australia* (6248.0) and *Information Paper: New Statistical Series: Employment, Average Weekly Earnings, Job Vacancies and Overtime* (6256.0). Excludes wage and salary earners in the private sector employed in agriculture, forestry, fisheries, hunting, private households and members of the permanent defence forces. (b) Includes the Northern Territory Government.

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